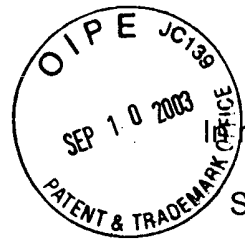


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is filed further to the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed on August 11, 2003. Prior to further examination, please amend the above referenced application as listed below and as set forth on the following pages:

Amendments to claims follow.

Remarks are included following the amendments.